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primarily dealt with measures concerning the demarcation line, began with a discussion of the political necessities resulting in the protection of the demarcation line and then set forth that a restricted zone, 5 km wide, was to be established along the demarcation line and that a strip, 10 meters wide, was to be cleared completely and all persons living inside this strip were to be evacuated. [ ] further that an adjoining strip, 500 meters wide, be cleared of all aliens, stateless persons, convicts and politically unreliable persons and their dependents who lived inside this strip. A special commission was established [ ] to be responsible for the evacuation of this strip. This evacuation was to be executed within 48 hours\* time following the decision which is final and allows no appeal. [ ] ordered the border police to fire on all persons inside the 10-meter zone and forbade residents to be in their fields inside the 500-meter zone prior to sunrise and after sunset. These persons must have special identification papers to pass villages at night and must be registered by the border control headquarters. All persons living inside the 5-km zone are no longer issued interzonal passports and their identity cards are stamped with a quadrangular stamp on the reserve side.

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2. In conjunction with [redacted] Zaisser, Karl Martin  
chief of the HVA VP [redacted] 2

for the execution of Zaisser's [redacted] specifically that labor detachments and VP details committed in the restricted zone must be checked as to their political reliability.

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3. At an FDJ meeting which was held in Leipzig in late May and was attended by all chiefs of the Volkspolizei, it was announced that Heinz Kessler was charged with organizing the air police and that the pertinent material would be placed at his disposal. \*

\* Comment. It is possible that securing the border may now come under the responsibility of the Ministry of State Security. This does not mean that the border police has been separated from the [redacted] in the Ministry of the Interior or that [redacted] under the control of the security ministry as an independent police establishment. It appears that at present the Ministry for State Security [redacted] pertaining to 25X1 measures to be taken on the border, ~~that~~ border police is responsible for their execution. ~~its~~ its assignment has, thus, not been altered. This situation, however, can be changed and a new organization could be developed whereby the border police and other branches of the [redacted] placed under the ILLEGIB control of the Ministry for State Security as security troops following the Soviet pattern.

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